

in which n is an integer of 1 to 5, R<sup>10</sup> and R<sup>11</sup> represent each, independently of each other, hydrogen atom or an alkyl group having 1-3 carbon atoms and R<sup>12</sup> represents an alkyl group having 1-3 carbon atoms, with the proviso that R<sup>9</sup> is hydrogen atom or an alkyl group having 1-3 carbon atoms when both p and q are 1.

37. (New) A rubber material for tires, comprising the random copolymer based on non-conjugated cyclic polyene as claimed in any one of claims 1, 2, 17, 18 or 23.

38. (New) A rubber material for tires, comprising the rubber composition as claimed in any one of claims 7, 8, 27, 28 or 33.

39. (New) A tire tread produced from the rubber material for tires as claimed in claim 37.

40. (New) A tire tread produced from the rubber material for tires as claimed in claim 38.

41. (New) A tire which has a tire tread as claimed in claim 39.

42. (New) A tire which has a tire tread as claimed in claim 40.

#### REMARKS

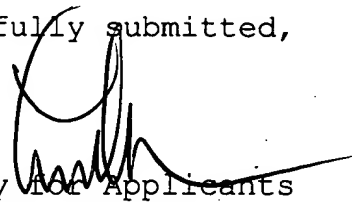
Entry of the foregoing amendments prior to examination of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following comments.

Claims 5, 6 and 11-16 have been cancelled to eliminate improper multiple dependent claims and new claims 17-42, which correspond to the cancelled claims presented in single dependent

and proper multiple dependent form have been added. Accordingly, Claims 1-4, 7-10 and 17-42 are pending in this application.

No new matter has been added and applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance and an early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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